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## TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

## Hillsboro Lawyer Here—

George Bagley, an attorney of Hillsboro, was in the city yesterday on legal business. He appeared for one of the parties in the divorce case of Blanch Stanton vs. Albert N. Stanton.

## Married—

Eli B. Foster and Agnes B. Court, both of Jewell, were married on Tuesday, at the manse of the Presbyterian church, Rev. Wm. S. Gilbert officiating. Their home will be at Jewell.

## Farewell Reception—

The members of the congregation of the Presbyterian church are cordially invited to a reception to be given at 8 o'clock Thursday evening for Mr. Bryce, who is leaving for Portland.

## Moneys Paid Out—

City Treasurer Dealey paid out the sum of \$6873.60 on general fund warrants yesterday, and he still has about \$7000 in both the general and special fund, on which calls have been issued and the interest consequently stopped. He is anxious to have the owners of the warrants for this \$7000 to present them, so that he may get his accounts cleared.

## Many At Funeral—

The funeral of the late Ludwig Hartwig yesterday morning was largely attended, and there were about 60 members of the Masonic fraternity present. Services were held at the Presbyterian church, by the Rev. W. S. Gilbert, and the services at the grave were held by the Masons. Burial was in Greenwood. For over a quarter of a century Mr. Hartwig had been tyler of the Masonic lodge in this city.

## In Circuit Court—

The following matters were passed upon in circuit court yesterday: Daisy M. McCarty vs. Edward L. McCarty, demurrer overruled, defendant declined to plead, and therefore defaulted; H. M. Grant et al vs. Jos. Mitchell, et al, order for publication of summons; J. H. McKinzie vs. Effa Mae McKinzie, order amending complaint; C. T. Hubbard vs. T. A. Davis, on trial; Louretta Broadwell vs. William Broadwell, referred to C. E. Runyon; Blanch Stanton vs. Albert N. Stanton, decree of divorce.

## Died Of Hemorrhage—

Bertha Margaret Fannon, daughter of Mrs. Sophia Fannon, died at her mother's home, 174 Ninth street last evening from hemorrhage. The deceased was 27 years of age and had lived in Astoria almost all her life, and was loved and respected by all that knew her. No arrangements for the funeral have yet been made.

## The Fifty-Sixth Storm—

Storm signals were ordered up yesterday morning at 7 o'clock, heralding another sou'wester, and it arrived all right, and spent itself in windless deluges about every 15 minutes during the day and night. According to one sensitive observer, it was the 56th storm of the winter season, that is, since the 9th of December when the first gale of the season ushered in the long and dubious list, and it is a pretty fair calculation, since there has not been one clear 24-hour stretch of clear weather here since that date.

## Trial Of Dr. Peacock—

Judge Rice, and the members of the Wahkiakum bar, with the officers of that county, were in attendance upon the opening of the superior court term at Cathlamet, yesterday morning, and the case of Dr. Frederick Peacock was the first matter called on the criminal docket. The work of selecting the jury was taken up almost instantly, and when adjournment was had in the late afternoon, but one juror had been accepted from the venire of 70 summoned. It is hoped that the jury may be selected today, and every effort will be made to that end.

## Two Insane Men—

There are two insane men in the county jail, and today they will be brought before the county judge for examination. One of them is the man arrested at an early hour yesterday morning on the streets in a semi-nude condition. He is Nels Jonassen, and is a trapper from the north shore. He seems to be a man of some substance and holds stock in the Alaska Fisheries Packing Company. The man was found running about the streets in his underwear and bare feet, and when citizens tried to stop he ran like a deer. Jonassen's home is at Ilwaco, and he runs several traps.

## Up From North Bend—

Hon. Louis Simpson, mayor of North Bend, and one of the leading magnates of the Coos country (and a son of Hon. A. M. Simpson, of Knappton), arrived in this city yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Simpson. They are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Callender. Messrs. Simpson and Callender made a run over to Knappton on the steamer Melville yesterday afternoon, and took a look at the Columbia plant there, beside meeting and greeting kinsmen and friends over there. They returned later in the day, and Mr. and Mrs. Simpson will sail this morning for North Bend, on the steamship Breakwater. Mr. Simpson gives a glowing account of conditions down in the Coos region and predicts all sorts of successes for that country in the near future.

## Joint Fisheries Bill—

Word was received in this city yesterday from authoritative sources that the Oregon-Washington joint-conference fish bill, passed the Washington Senate yesterday morning without a solitary negative vote, and was made the special order of business before the House at 10:30 o'clock this morning. It is also said that State Fish Warden H. C. McAllister will be in this city tomorrow on business connected with his department, but it is not known whether he is coming down in the fisheries launch "Astoria," or on the noon train. Those close to the Master Warden declare that he is sorely disappointed at the text and terms of the supreme court decision in the Chris Neilsen case, at Washington, though he hopes that this and all other recent decisions and legal provisions, will result in the diminution of the irregularities and annoyances that have marked the fish industry and department regulations, for such time, at least, as may be required to secure joint action by both States for uniform and equitable legislation.

## The Man Who Eats.

The man who eats does so with the expectation of being satisfied. To this end he seeks the best possible place to gratify his normal appetite at most rational expense. These things account for the steady stream of people to and from the portals of the Palace Restaurant in this city. The reputation of the Palace is founded immovably upon the certainty and amplitude of the service it renders to every purse, and appetite, big and little. Open day and night. Commercial streets, opposite the Page building.

## SALOON MEN ALL ADMIT THEIR GUILT

THIRTY-FOUR ARE ARRESTED AND EACH PAYS FINE OF \$20.

Thirty-four saloonkeepers, who had been arrested earlier in the day by the sheriff on bench warrants issued from the circuit court charging them with violations of the Sunday closing laws, last evening voluntarily appeared before Judge McBride and pleaded guilty. In each case a fine of \$20 was imposed.

August Rautio, one of the indicted men, also pleaded guilty and a fine of \$20 was imposed against him; he and Theodore Haglund were indicted together, as they are presumably partners in their saloon. There are several instances of partners being jointly indicted, but a several and not a joint sentence was imposed on them. Haglund paid his \$20; Rautio, though he had pleaded guilty, refused to pay his fine, averring that he had no money, and he was locked up in the county jail. Unless he pays the money, or his friends pay for him, he will serve out the ten days there. Friends of Rautio went to Judge McBride. It is understood, and pleaded for clemency, stating that Rautio is a very sick man and that he would surely die if left to serve out his term in the county jail. It is said that Judge McBride's answer was not very satisfactory to the men who talked for the man in jail. It seems odd that while he is presumably a partner in the saloon, and had friends enough to "put up a talk" to the judge for his liberty, that he had no one to lend or give him the paltry sum of \$20 to keep him out of jail—and to keep him from dying in jail, if the same men were to be believed in their statements to the judge. Meantime the saloon run by Rautio and Haglund did a pretty good business last night, indicating that it at least should be within \$20 of insolvency.

Rautio seems to be a sick man. But he evidently wanted to go to jail to be numbered among the noble army of martyrs who suffered in a holy cause.

Later it was explained that Rautio has sold out his interest in the saloon. The man who bought him out still owes him money, and offered to pay the fine, but Rautio refused to accept, it is said. A few of the saloon men have not yet paid their fines.

There were 34 individuals indicted; the full list being as follows:

John Stevenson, Chas. Niemi, John Wirkkala and John Vanck, August Rautio and Theodore Haglund, Patrick Kenney and Robert Lyle, John Tiberg and Matt Juntilla, W. H. Ford and W. J. De Lashmutt, Charles A. Johnson and Barney Engstrom, Henry Christensen, Martin G. Frantovich, Axel E. Jacobsen, Samuel E. Harris, Peter Dorell, John Laine, Anton Theodore, John Harry, P. A. Peterson, O. E. Carlson, Peter F. Kinney, Martin Franciscovich, Oscar Reusch, A. L. Seafeldt, R. J. Jeffery, Lee Strauss, Charles Weschi, Victor Carlson, C. F. Wise, Harry Jones.

The State laws provide a very light punishment for violation of the Sunday closing laws, merely from \$10 to \$25, so that the saloonmen evidently judged it cheaper to pay the fines than to try to fight the cases. No revocation of their licenses will follow as a result of the conviction on this misdemeanor, as the city charter provides the licenses shall be revoked only in the cases of running a "disorderly" place, of maintaining a "nuisance"; of selling liquors to minors, or of selling liquors to men who are already drunk. Hence the men who pleaded guilty yesterday get off very lightly. The fines go to the school funds.

The complaining witnesses in each case were T. T. Torsen and Fred W. Robbins, one of whom is said to be a Portland man. The matter is said to have been worked up by the Civic League.

Out of 52 saloons in the city, 28 were represented by the prisoners yesterday. That is, only a little over half of the saloons were caught in the net, and oddly enough, some of the places which have generally been considered the worst offenders seem to have escaped. The grand jury is still in session and will be until the end of the week, anyway, and while it is busy each day, no definite announcement is made of the character of the testimony being presented. It is said the "blind pigs" are yet to be considered, and there is thought to be a possibility that the gambling matter will also be threshed out.

## PERSONAL MENTION

T. R. Evans of Evanston, Ind., was in the city yesterday on a business quest and was registered at the Merwyn.

J. K. Lansing of Seattle arrived here on the noon train yesterday and will leave for home this morning via South Bend.

F. G. Summers of Des Moines was doing business on the streets of Astoria yesterday and was quartered at the Hotel Northern.

G. W. Quincy of The Dalles spent the afternoon here yesterday on an errand of legal import and departed for home on the 6:10 train last evening.

H. J. Knowlton of Spokane was here yesterday on matters of business.

H. D. Kerrigan of Salem was noted on these streets yesterday.

T. P. Davidge of Eugene was among the big crowd of visitors registered in this city yesterday.

R. E. Matthews of Silverton spent the day in Astoria yesterday on matters of business.

J. M. Thompson of Portland was a business visitor in Astoria yesterday and was registered at the Occident.

Harry Jones came down from the metropolis yesterday on a business trip.

F. W. Munroe of Portland was doing business in the city yesterday.

O. W. Singleton of Medford spent the day in Astoria yesterday.

## REALTY TRANSFERS

Fred R. Moore and wife and P. Lawler and wife to John Gerritsen, lots 21 and 22, block 2, Mulkey's addition to Ocean Beach; \$10.

A. H. Wilson and wife to Walter J. Falconer, lots 7 and 8, block 7, Bradbury's first addition to Ocean Grove; \$300.

## WORKED AS MESSENGERS.

Men Who Served Roosevelt On Federal Printing Office Pay Roll.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Testimony made public to-day shows that when Public Printer Donnelly was examined before the House committee on appropriations he was asked by Chairman Tawney if any men from the Government printing office were detailed to the White House. Donnelly answered that a few were so detailed, the majority of them acting as messengers. He added that they performed the work in connection with the printing and issuing of invitations to social functions, and when detailed to the White House did not work at the Government printing office. Their combined salaries aggregated \$6500 a year.

In response to a suggestion of Representative Smith of Iowa, the public printer agreed that they were really White House messengers. The practice of detailing men from the Government printing office to the White House has been in vogue for three or four years he said.

## New Boys' Suits.

Herman Wise has just received the first installment of Spring suits for boys, age 3 to 16, which he selected while East.

## Athletic Club Benefit.

Manager Shortley of the Grand Theatre on West Commercial street has generously offered to give a benefit to the Athletic club, and the offer has been thankfully accepted. Friday night of this week, February 26, is the date. On that night there will be special films, of particular interest to all members of the club and to others interested in athletic matters, and the illustrated songs will be given by local talent. The entertainment promises to be a very fine one. Among those who will be on the program are Mrs. Harry Flavel, Mrs. C. H. Callender and Miss Irene Simington, each of which will sing one or more songs during the evening. Another feature will be a full orchestra of seven pieces. The boys have set the admission price at 15 cents or two admissions for 25c. The performance will surely be worth three times as much, but the low admission was made so that everybody in the city should attend.

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## SAYS ASTORIA'S PLUCK IS ADMIRABLE

INTERESTING ARTICLE ON RIVER MATTER BY THE TACOMA LEDGER.

Tacoma Ledger: In the controversy between Portland and Astoria as to what should be the character of Columbia river improvements, numerous significant statements about the depth of the river are finding their way to the public. The Astoria chamber of commerce thinks the government should deepen the water over the bar and up the river a few miles, in order that big ships may reach Astoria. John H. Whyte, secretary of the Astoria chamber, asserts that the failure of commerce on the Columbia river to grow as fast as Commerce on Puget Sound is due to the selfish policy of Portland. "Horse sense shows us," says Mr. Whyte, "that we must provide for big ships to enter the Columbia for at least a mile or two. It would not be expensive to provide for these big ships to come into the river, at least for a few miles, and thus we would regain the hundreds of millions of dollars of trade lost to the Sound."

Astoria is, of course, seeking low rates on wheat from Oregon, Eastern Washington and Idaho. Mr. Whyte attended a meeting of the Farmers' union at Spokane recently and made a speech about present conditions on the Columbia. His speech doubtless had something to do with the adoption of a resolution asking for wheat rates to Astoria as low as rates to Puget Sound. When Portland heard of what Mr. Whyte was "up to," there was a wall on the Willamette. Portland attempted to prove from his speech to the farmers that he is entitled to membership on sight in the Ananias club. Mr. Whyte said in Spokane that big modern ships could not enter the Columbia. Such an assertion coming from a resident of a city on the Columbia hurt the pride of Portland.

But Mr. Whyte opens the report of the chief of engineers, United States army, to the secretary of war, page 820, to show that the Columbia channel is 22 feet deep at low tide at every point but one, and at that point the channel is 20 feet deep at low tide. He finds on page 824 of the report that the depth across the bar is from 24 1-2 to 25 1-2 feet. He asserts that the Dicke Rickmers, with a gross tonnage of 4415 and a net of 2820, and a few other vessels of similar size that reached Portland recently "were worked on the highest tides." After observing the tendency to build larger vessels and citing the 37 1-2 foot draft of the Olympia, now being built, Mr. Whyte takes the following fling at Portland: "When this latter ship is able to reach Portland your great, great grandchildren will have been a thousand years transplanted. Yet we could receive the Olympia into the port of Astoria one year from this fall."

He thinks the Columbia is losing trade because it can not accommodate the largest ships. A table of imports and exports of the Columbia river and Puget Sound from 1880 to 1908, inclusive, is made up by Mr. Whyte of data prepared by Oscar P. Austin, chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor. It shows that the value of Columbia river exports increased from \$4,097,353 in 1880 to \$17,663,931 in 1908, while the value of Puget Sound exports increased from \$361,449 in 1880 to \$44,032,767 in 1908. Imports of the Columbia river were: \$3,758,752 in 1908, and of Puget Sound \$22,088,814. Columbia River commerce has had a growth, though not as large as Puget Sound.

So Astoria asks for the deepening of the water at the Columbia bar that that big ships may come up at least as far as Astoria. Says Mr. Whyte: "The bar at the mouth of the Columbia is actually five feet shallower than it was thirteen years ago, in 1895." He cites page 823 of the United States engineers' report for 1908 to sustain his assertion. To Puget Sound the controversy is highly amusing. Astoria is to be admired for her pluck in standing up against the more populous Portland.

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